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MEMORANDUM FOR THE INTELLIGENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Coordination of Intelligence Community Satellite
Communications Requirements

1. Recent dialogue between the Director of Central Intelligence and the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Intelligence) has resulted in agreement to establish a focal point within the Intelligence Community to coordinate Community satellite communications requirements envisioned for or levied upon the Defense Satellite Communications Systems. Mr. Albert P. Albrecht, Director, Systems Evaluation, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Intelligence), has been designated as Community action officer. At an appropriate time (probably mid fall of 1975), Mr. Albrecht has indicated that he will brief the Council as to the scope and mechanics pertinent to fulfilling this task.

2. The attached correspondence is forwarded for information and record purposes.

[Redacted Signature]

Executive Director

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Attachments:

1. Letter from Lieutenant General Samuel V. Wilson to Dr. Hall dated 9 June 1975 [Redacted]
2. Letter from Dr. Albert C. Hall to Mr. Colby dated 12 May 1975 [Redacted]

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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

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The Honorable Albert C. Hall
Assistant Secretary (Intelligence)
Department of Defense
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Dr. Hall:

The DCI has asked that I respond to your letter of May 12, 1975, in which you highlight the need to establish a focal point for coordination of intelligence community satellite communication requirements with the Director, Defense Telecommunications and Command and Control Systems (DTACCS). The suggestion is timely. I am aware of Tom Reed's concern over the increasing number and variety of such requirements, which could absorb a sizeable portion of the capacity of the Defense Satellite Communications Systems (DSCS) in both normal and crisis type situations.

The DCI concurs in your proposal that Al Albrecht serve as the action point of contact between the intelligence community and DTACCS. I would appreciate Mr. Albrecht's keeping the Chairman of the IHC/USIB directly informed where there are matters of which this office in its USIB role can be helpful. I am advised that the IRAC R&D Council has expressed concern over the prospect of burgeoning community communications requirements. At an appropriate time, I suggest that Mr. Albrecht may wish to report to the Council on his support to you and the DCI in these matters.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

Samuel V. Wilson
Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy to the DCI for the
Intelligence Community

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